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Crisis Support for State Department

Continuing FBIS support for the State Department during the protracted crisis in Lebanon has included a variety of special efforts involving field bureaus, the FBIS Wire Service, and media analysts. FBIS responded on 17 August, for example, to Assistant Secretary Veliotes' urgent need for all available Cairo reports on meetings of the Egyptian foreign minister and minister of state with U.S. Charge 'd Affaires Precht. On the same day, available Israeli media reports on Israeli POW's held by the Syrians were pulled together and run on the Wire for the Office of Israeli Affairs. ☐

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Use of Outside Consultants

FBIS contracts from time to time with outside consultants for assistance and advice in the development of its programs. The practice has been extended this year to the use of consultants selected from the faculties of universities and research institutions to provide critical review of FBIS media analysis. Most recently, Dr. Douglas Boyd, chairman of the University of Delaware's Department of Communication and an expert on Arab broadcasting, gave an overview of current Arab broadcasting to FBIS officers. He then consulted with analysts who are developing a pilot program for the study of selected Arab media. Ambassador Raymond Garthoff, a Senior Fellow with the Brookings Institution, advised the Analysis Group during a visit in connection with FBIS' media studies of Soviet military doctrine and military-political issues. ☐

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Support on Soviet Leadership Issue

As part of continuing efforts to provide the Intelligence Community with statements and articles by key Soviet aspirants to the leadership, FBIS' USSR Division has arranged for priority translation of the book, Questions of the Work of the Party and State Apparatus, by Politburo member K. U. Chernenko. Advance copies of translations of the most significant portions of the book will be forwarded to DDI analysts. The fully translated book will receive wide dissemination throughout the Intelligence Community. ☐

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DOD Interest in Japanese S&T

The office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Research and Engineering called to express thanks for additional information provided by FBIS linguists on new radio wave absorber technology culled from the Japanese press. The materials were described as "extremely useful" and

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the type of information that Undersecretary of Defense DeLauer would like to have available when he meets with various Japanese officials. ☐

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Dish Antenna Surveys in Thailand and Cyprus

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